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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq. Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

MB Docket No. 03-15

WGCL-DT, Atlanta, Georgia (Facility ID No. 72120)

FCC File No. BPCDT-20040220ACX

Request for Waiver of July 1, 2005 Replication/Maximization Deadline

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As a precautionary measure, Meredith Corporation ("Meredith"), licensee and permittee of television station WGCL-DT (Atlanta, Georgia) (the "Station"), by its attorneys, hereby requests waiver of the Commission's July 1, 2005 replication/maximization interference protection deadline. Meredith's current construction permit for WGCL-DT does not expire until October 20, 2007 (FCC File No. BPCDT-20040220ACX).

In its Second DTV Periodic Review Report and Order, the Commission adopted replication/maximization interference protection deadline for DTV licensees. Stations affiliated with the top-four networks in the top 100-ranked designated market areas that held construction permits with deadlines extending beyond July 1, 2005 were required to implement replication or maximization facilities by the expiration date specified in their construction permit. On October 20, 2004, the Commission granted Meredith a construction permit for WGCL-DT with an expiration date of October 20, 2007. On June 15, 2005, the Commission released a Public Notice explaining, among other things, that any station with a construction permit expiring after July 1 automatically would have its replication/maximization deadline extended to the expiration date of its construction permit. In an abundance of caution, however, and to the extent

Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, *Report and Order*, 19 FCC Rcd 18279 (rel. Sept. 7, 2004).

² Id., ¶¶ 78, 84.

³ Public Notice, DTV Channel Election Issues – Compliance with the July 1, 2005 Replication Maximization Interference Protection deadline; Stations Seeking Extension of the Deadline, DA 05-1636 (rel. June 15, 2005).

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necessary, Meredith respectfully requests that the Commission waive the July 1, 2005 interference protection deadline for WGCL-DT for six months.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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